

National Weather Service Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena



September 2004 Time Local/ Path Length Path Number of Estimated Width Damage Persons **HAWAII Honolulu County** 1600HST **Funnel Cloud** Haleiwa 03 0 0 A funnel cloud was sighted by a resident of Haleiwa on the North Shore of Oahu. The phenomenon was associated with showery low clouds that had developed in the afternoon hours of the 3rd. The funnel never touched down and produced no damages or injuries. **HIZ026** Kohala 1330HST 0200HST 0 Wildfire A fire burned about 125 acres of brush in the South Kohala District on the Big Island of Hawaii, 9 miles south/southwest of Kamuela and 4 1/2 miles east/southeast of Waikoloa. The fire was caused by a van, involved in a two-van collision on Waikoloa Road, when it tumbled off the road into a nearby dry, grassy area. Part of Waikoloa Road had to be closed for more than six hours while firefighters fought the blaze. However, no homes were threatened or had to be evacuated. There were no serious injuries or property damage. **HIZ026** Kohala 1105HST 0900HST 0 Wildfire A fire consumed nearly 2000 acres of brush in the South Kohala District on the Big Island of Hawaii, 8 miles west of Kamuela. A total of 70 families had to be evacuated from the Mauna Kea Uplands subdivisions near Mauna Kea Beach Resort and from the Waiula Ole Self-Help Housing Community on Sunday afternoon, the 12th. All the families, however, were allowed to return to their homes by Sunday evening or Monday morning. The blaze was in an area of unexploded ordnance left over from World War II-era training exercises. Some of the munitions did explode during the time of the fire, but no one was seriously hurt. The fire forced the closure of Kawaihae Road and Queen Kaahumanu Highway for a time near the blaze on the 12th. Hawaii County used many firefighters and a lot of equipment, including bulldozers and helicopters, to battle the fire. This put a severe financial burden on the county, though even unofficial cost estimates were not readily available. The fire fighting was successful, on the other hand, in that there were no serious injuries or property damage. The cause of the blaze was under investigation. HIZ001>003-005>006-Niihau - Kauai Windward - Kauai Leeward - Oahu South Shore - Waianae Coast - Molokai Windward - Molokai Leeward 012>014-016-018>021-- Lanai Makai - Kahoolawe - Maui Leeward West - Maui Central Valley - Windward Haleakala - Leeward Haleakala -023>025 Kona - South Big Island - Big Island North And East 0700HST 14 15 Heavy Surf/High Surf 1400HST A storm low in the southern hemisphere generated surf of 6 to 8 feet along the south shores of all the Hawaiian Islands. No serious injuries or property damage were reported. HIZ001>003-005>006-Niihau - Kauai Windward - Kauai Leeward - Oahu South Shore - Waianae Coast - Molokai Windward - Molokai Leeward 012>014-016-018>021-- Lanai Makai - Kahoolawe - Maui Leeward West - Maui Central Valley - Windward Haleakala - Leeward Haleakala -023>025 Kona - South Big Island - Big Island North And East 0830HST Heavy Surf/High Surf 25 28 1600HST



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Location Date Standard (Miles) (Yards) Killed Injured Property Crops Character of Storm

HAWAII WATERS

PHZ123 Big Island Leeward Waters

23 NW Kailua-Kona 03 1130HST 0 0 Waterspout

An airplane pilot spotted two waterspouts more than 20 miles northwest of Kailua-Kona on the Big Island of Hawaii. However, they caused no serious injuries or property damage to air traffic or water craft.